



**MEETING MINUTES**

**SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
WATER RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMISSION (WRAC)/ACCELER8  
ISSUES WORKSHOP**

**Site 1 Impoundment Basis of Design Report (BODR)**

**Monday, April 17, 2006 - 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**

**Florida Atlantic University, University Center, Live Oak Pavilion, Live Oak Room  
777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, FL**

Attending

Attendance record has been incorporated as part of the Public Records

1. Open House – 5:30 – 6:00 p.m.
2. Welcome, Meeting Purpose and Ground Rules – Rick Smith, WRAC  
Facilitator, SFWMD  
Rick Smith, WRAC Facilitator explained the meeting purpose and ground rules for WRAC meeting. Introduced Juan Prieto
3. Site 1 Impoundment Basis of Design Report – Introductions:  
Juan C. Prieto, P.E., Project Manager, Acceler8, SFWMD  
SFWMD based planning on the project Implementation Report by the CORPS of Engineers. We took the PIR, applied some engineering principles to get the benefits of the project as soon as possible. Introduced to David Hoot of Parsons Brickerhoff
4. Site 1 Impoundment Basis of Design Report Summary, David A. Hoot, Project Manager, Parsons Brinckerhoff, Inc.  
We will discuss the goals and objectives, and ultimately the recommended plan, the project is located in the western part of Boca Raton.
5. Questions and Answers – Juan Prieto, P.E., Project Manager  
Questions: Brian Shields, PBC Water Utilities, addressed a few questions.  
Answers: Total cfs was discussed; there will be 3 pumps at 100 cfs. 2<sup>nd</sup> phase may include additional pump station. Timing schedule will depend on the overall yearly availability of water in the Hillsboro canal. Percentage flowing downstream will be part of the design report. The project team requested removal of Coral Ridge Dr, which is under consideration. The levee is being design to national dam standards. There will be no water allocations to Water Utilities, water will be put back into the Hillsboro Canal.  
Cathy Collins Project Manager - The assessment for the permit application is all jurisdictional wetlands, permit thru DEP. We are doing the design phase from the PIR. The CORP's website has the PIR and shows the environmental benefits.  
Newton Cook - PIR should have boat ramps and parking sufficient for all to use, need to incorporate in the design now. We are looking at small game hunting. This area is near housing and 300 yards from school, should have a bigger buffer, it should be duck hunting only. The project falls under whose jurisdiction?  
David Hoot - Unincorporated Boca Raton  
Newton Cook – Any effort to annex this property to the city will be met with strong resistance, cities will not be allowed to annex wetlands.

## 6. Public Comment

John Koch: This is a good project, but we urge you to evaluate another alternative – constructing the full reservoir. \$10 million in additional cost would complete the 1,668-acre reservoir verses half of the area (880 acres). The full reservoir is needed for greater water storage.

Cynthia Pockleman: We urge construction of the full reservoir on the 1,668 acres. You won't be able to do that in the future because of development pressure in the area. At the last Palm Beach County Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, completion of Coral Ridge Road was discussed. SFWMD staff attended and suggested that the road might be inconsistent with the reservoir, and requested that any plan amendment needed for road construction be sent to the Florida Department of Community Affairs for approval. The Planning and Zoning Commission expressed concerns and recommended the SFWMD suggestions. Ms. Rosa Durando addressed the Planning and Zoning group and said that if part of the reservoir project will benefit Broward County water supply then Broward County should be asked to share in the costs. We are aware that the costs of completing the full reservoir have tripled over the Yellow Book projections in 2000. But the additional \$10 million would provide more storage. We prefer passive recreation rather than hunting and an emphasis on supporting wildlife needs.

Newton Cook: We fully support putting water on as many areas in South Florida as quickly as possible.

Juan Prieto said that there will be another workshop in this project when the Preliminary Design phase has been completed, probably in July or August.

There being no further questions or comments, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.